

Teachers Who Write

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(the 22nd annual, day-long conference on the campus of Vermont College of Fine Arts, Montpelier)

Friday, May 8, 2009, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

proudly presents the eminent novelist and poet ...

Julia Alvarez

in a Keynote Speech:

“Saving the World Through Stories”

and ...

An amazing luncheon concert:

Junk Music with the Junkman

“Music people want to hear, performed on objects they didn’t want” - Donald Knaack

... plus a potpourri of provocative workshops (you may choose two) ...

- Julia Alvarez: Writing *Saving the World* •
- Alysia Backman: Racing Toward Revision — Using Pit Stops to Improve Writing (Grades 5-12) •
- Sharon Kenney Biddle: Hands-on Bookmaking — an Inspiration for Writing •
- Jim DeFilippi: How to Write a Novel in 15 Months While Teaching •
- Marty Gephart: Writing on Demand — NECAP and Beyond •
- Lindy Johnson: Reading, NECAP, and Your Students •
- Thom McAllister: Conferring with Young Writers — 10 Flexible Rules •
- Sherry Olson: Take a Leap! Write a Poem — How to Use Poems as Springboards to Inspire New Poems •
- Mary Beth Porter: Writing with Students Who Have Learning Differences •

A book display will be offered throughout the day

Registration: \$85, includes morning refreshments and a simple lunch

(Special Rate for Retired Teachers and Full-time Education Students: \$50)

Registration Deadline: May 1 (After May 1, call 828-3114 to ask if space is available)

***Sponsored by the Vermont Council of Teachers of English Language Arts,
the National Writing Project in Vermont,
and the Vermont State Department of Education***

Further details are on registration form: see reverse of this page, or call (802) 828-3114

Comments from last year’s Teachers Who Write:

“The best and most anticipated conference of the year. I always arrive with a light heart, knowing I’ll leave inspired, refreshed, and more knowledgeable.” -Peggy Laro, Richmond Elementary School.

“This day continues to be a valuable endeavor amidst the hecticness of May. And it’s not just for English teachers.” -Steve Hudak, Peoples Academy.

*“I love the approach of educators learning from one another. There is a spirit of generosity.”
-Cynthia Payne Meyer, Westminster Center School.*

“Given the importance of cross-curricular instruction and the value of writing in all subjects, this is an important conference for all teachers, especially the writing-challenged!” -Cher Laston, Chelsea Public School.

Multiple Registrants? Please copy this form before filling it out! **please copy & post**

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Doors open at 8:45 a.m. Keynote Address begins at 9:30 a.m.

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To register, please number 3 sessions in order of preference

(Your 3rd choice gives us a rarely needed option if a session is over-subscribed)

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☐ Sharon Kenney Biddle: Hands-on Bookmaking — an Inspiration for Writing (limited to 15 participants)
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Please read and sign this statement: I understand that my registration fee covers the entire day's activities, a simple lunch, and refreshments. I also understand that the registration fee is not refundable. If I am unable to attend the conference, I may give my registration to a friend, who will attend the workshops for which I have registered.

- ☐ I have indicated, in order of preference, my first 3 choices for workshops.
☐ I have enclosed payment of \$85 (**checks payable to VCTELA**).
☐ I am enclosing a purchase order and will tell the person responsible for issuing payment that ***the Dept. of Education address must not appear on the check!***
☐ I am a retired teacher or a full-time student preparing to be a teacher, so I enclose just \$50.
☐ For luncheon, I'd prefer ☐ vegetarian option ☐ omnivore choices

Signature

Date

(Please Print) Name: _____

Address for confirmation of registration (this will be mailed May 1):

Phone: _____ If you teach, name of school: _____

Grade(s) and Subject(s): _____

Your email address: _____

Mail completed registration form and \$85 (**checks payable to VCTELA**) to: Rose Wheeler, VT Department of Education, 120 State St., Montpelier, VT 05620 ***Dept. of Education address must not appear on the check!*** Confirmation & a map to Vermont College will be mailed May 1.